

REMARKS

I. Amendments

Claims 1-13 have been amended to place the claims in conformance with U.S. patent practice. Claims 1-3 have been amended to replace the trademark "Eudragit® NE30D" with the expression "ethyl acrylate/methyl methacrylate copolymer". Support for this amendment is provided by the specification at page 9, lines 22-23.

Claim 4 has been amended to recite the composition of the film coat, and is supported by claim 2 as originally filed. Claims 6, 12, and 13 have been amended to eliminate instances of an improper multiple claim dependency. In addition, claims 12 and 13 have been amended to recite the film coating composition of claim 1.

New claims 14-16 have been added, and recite that the ethyl acrylate/methyl methacrylate copolymer is Eudragit® NE30D. Support for claims 14-16 is provided by claims 1-3 as originally filed. No new matter has been added by any amendments herein.

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-16 are pending.

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a new patent application. If any fee is required in connection with this communication, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

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